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In re Application of

Hiroyuki KAKITA et al.

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Sir:

In response to the December 4, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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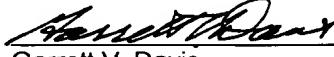
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